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District's handling of former coach is issue in trustee race

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FORT WORTH

The case of a former Eastern Hills High School football coach accused of an improper relationship with a student — who later recanted her allegations — has emerged as a campaign issue in the District 2 race for Fort Worth school board.

The contest is between Tobi Jackson, the school board president, and former Eastern Hills High School Principal Chad McCarty. Voters will decide on May 4 who will represent the east Fort Worth area that includes Polytechnic and Eastern Hills high schools.

Both are educators and homegrown graduates of Fort Worth schools. Jackson is a two-term trustee who has long described herself as a former schoolteacher and champion for children. But she is followed by her vote in 2016 to not terminate the former coach, Johnnie Cole.

Tobi Jackson

Chad McCarty

Cole is a former Texas Southern University football coach who landed a job at Eastern Hills in 2013. His hiring and subsequent issues that followed created a complicated political discourse that requires delving into school district records and a series of events that culminated in May 2016 with a vote by the school board not to terminate Cole.

McCarty is a former TCU football player who built a career in education that included principal at Eastern Hills High School. His school board candidacy has pushed the Cole case into the public eye again as it was McCarty who first reported allegations against Cole to the district.

During the 2014-15 school year, Cole was accused of having an improper relationship with an Eastern Hills student. An internal report by the school district's Office of Professional Standards said the student told an investigator that Cole had sex with her, had friends threaten her with retaliation and suggest-

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DFW, Houston each gain 1 million residents since 2010

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If you need more evidence that Texas is growing at a breakneck pace consider this — Dallas-Fort Worth and greater Houston have gained more than 1 million people since 2010.

The Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington area added 131,767 residents from 2017 to 2018, more than any other metropolitan area in the country, pushing its population to 7,539,711, according to estimates released Thursday by the U.S. Census Bureau. The population of the Houston-The Woodlands-Sugarland area reached 6,997,384.

DFW and Houston are the fourth- and fifth-largest metro areas in the nation.

"If you look at DFW, its economy is continuing to expand and that is creating economic opportunities," said Texas State Demographer Lloyd Potter. "Having DFW Airport is key and then you have I-35 and I-20, it's kind of a crossroads in the middle of the country."

Tarrant County's population reached 2,084,931, an addition of roughly 27,000 residents, the eighth-biggest increase in the nation. Dallas County's population was 2,637,772, a gain of roughly 15,000. Collin County topped 1 million for the first time with 1,005,146, an increase of

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Attorney General William Barr defends President Trump and repeats his view that the Mueller report clears Trump of obstruction of justice.

Report details Trump's efforts to thwart inquiry

BY MARK MAZZETTI
New York Times

WASHINGTON

Robert Mueller revealed the scope of a historic Russian campaign to sabotage the 2016 presidential election in a much-anticipated report made public Thursday, and he detailed a frantic monthslong effort by President Donald Trump to thwart a federal investigation that imperiled his presidency from the start.

Mueller, the special counsel, laid out how his team of prosecutors wrestled with whether Trump's actions added up to a criminal obstruction-of-justice offense. They ultimately chose not to charge Trump, citing numerous legal and factual constraints, but pointedly declined to exonerate him and suggested it might be the role of Congress to settle the matter.

The report laid bare that Trump was elected with the help of a foreign power, and it

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